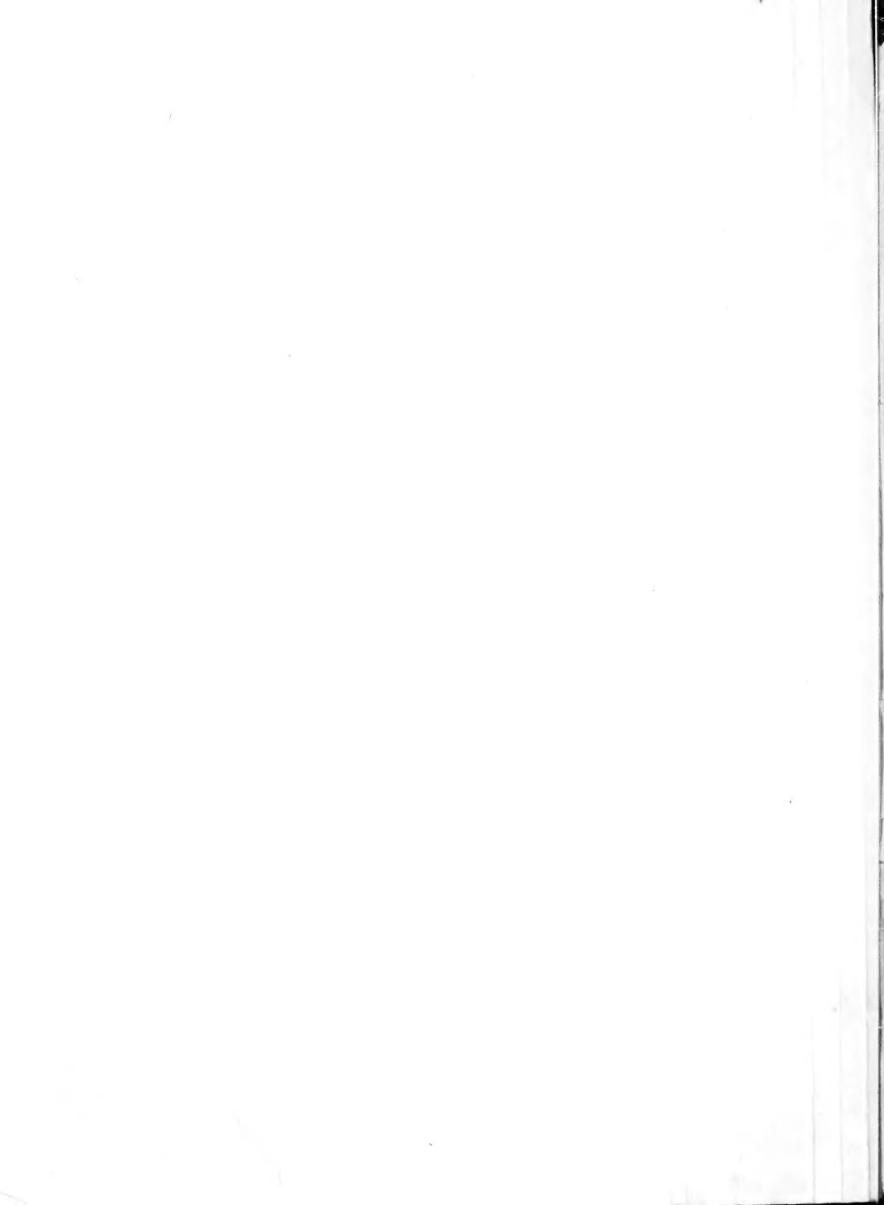
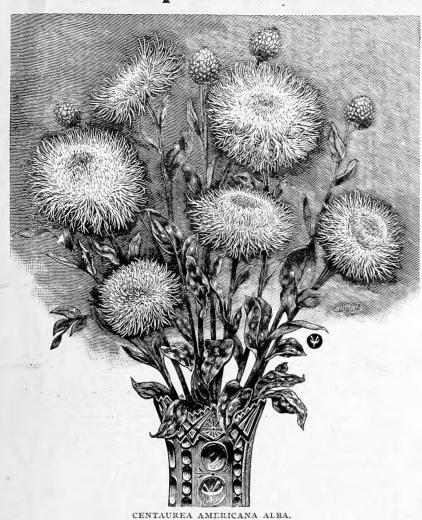
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A Few Specialties and Novelties for Seedsmen.



ELECTRO, \$1.00.

CENTAUREA AMERICANA ALBA.

This native annual flower is also known as the Star Thistle. It is showy when in bloom and a free and hardy plant, native to Arkansas, Missouri and Texas. Although an annual it grows to a large size in the one season, and the immense heads of double, fluffy blooms are quite as showy in flower borders as pæonies, or hollyhocks. The color is almost pure white.

The stems shoot up from one to three feet, sturdy and strong, branching near the ends and every branch bearing a bloom.

It is an excellent plant for cut flowers, the flower lasting several days when cut and the stalks being long and wiry.

E. Haentze, the leading florist of Fond du Lac, Wis., wrote us: "I consider it a very handsome and beautiful novelty which will be to your credit. The flowers are excellent material for cut and design work." Wholesale price, per ounce, \$1.00; per pound, \$12.00.

Retail price, pkt., 10c.

NEW MAMMOTH FLOWERING ALLEGHENY HOLLYHOCKS.

Blooms the First Year from Seed.

New Type of Hollyhocks

The flowers of this new variety are so different from the old conventional ones that but for the similar habit of the plant it would not be taken for a Hollyhock. They are from four to six inches in diameter, running from semi-double to double, and so finely fringed and curled that, compared with the old ones, they have the look of a flower from Fairyland. The colors are shell pink, rose and ruby red, a shade or two deeper at the center, and exquisitely tinted toward the edge. The flowers do not, as on the other double Hollyhocks, rot on the stems, but drop as soon as they fade. Every bud to the top of the plant is developed into flowers, making the flowering season considerable longer.

Wholesale price, per oz., \$1.50; per pound, \$18.00.

TWO SPLENDID NEW NASTURTIUMS.

TALL, OR CLIMBING "CHAMELEON."

This highly interesting new variety presents a most unusual feature, which is that the flowers are of different colors on the same plant, and that they are variously blotched, splashed, striped and bordered with these different colors.

On one and the same plant self-colored flowers are found, while others are stained and flushed on clear ground and others have either light or dark margins. The effect of the variously colored flowers on one plant is simply marvelous and we consider it one of the most distinct and useful novelties of recent years.

Wholesale price, pound, \$2.50; 10 pounds, \$22.50.

DWARF "CHAMELEON."

This is a dwarf form of the above strain, possessing exactly the same peculiarity of producing variously colored flowers on the same plant. The neat bushes are covered with an abundance of richly colored flowers of different colors and markings. A decidedly valuable acquisition. Wholesale price, pound, \$3.00; 10 pounds, \$27.50.

Nasturtium, Mad. Gunther's Hybrids, for description see our last springs' catalogue. 1 pound, 70c.; 10 pounds, \$6.00; 100 pounds, \$55.00

		1 1b.	10 lbs.	100 lbs.
NASTURTIUM,	Liliput, new	1.50		
	Tall, mixed		2.50	23.00
_	Lobb's, mixed	40	3.70	
_	Dwarf, mixed	35	3.25	30.00

CLIMBING NASTURTIUM "VESUVIUS."

This is by far the most brilliant of all the Nasturtiums. The flowers are of very large size, perfectly round, the petals overlapping each other, while the color is the most dazzling fiery rose imaginable. We recommend this novelty.

Wholesale price, per pound, \$1.25; 10 pounds, \$10.00.



TALL CHAMELEON NASTURTIUM. ELECTRO, \$1.50.







NEW DOUBLE WHITE BALSAM "ALBA PERFECTA."-ELCTRO, \$1,25.

New White Balsam "Alba Perfecta."

A Balsam that will produce large, double white flowers is what seed growers have been seeking for a long time and we know that lovers of this beautiful flower and florists will give the "Alba Perfecta" a warm welcome. Its flowers are extremely double, very large and of the true Camellia-shape, in fact might be called a white Miniature Camellia. Our illustration being a photograph shows both the doubleness of the flowers and the free blooming habit of the plant. Wholesale price, 02., \$1.00.

PETUNIA "SNOWBALL."

For an everblooming white flower, suitable for beds and borders, we think this new Petunia has few equals. Our illustration, which is a reproduction from a photograph, shows its dwarf, bushy habit and also its abundance of bloom. The flowers are purest snow-white, of good shape and size, sweet-scented and lasting. This plant is eminently adapted to our climate on account of its heat and drouth resisting qualities. We recommend it.

Wholesale price, 1/4 oz., 70c.; oz., \$2.50.

Petunia Hybrida, large flowering, extra choice mixed, per 4 oz., \$3.00. Petunia, Giants of California, per 1/6 oz., \$2.50.

Petunia, Large Flowering, Double Fringed.

Although not the best in existence, this is a good strain, from a careful grower of whom we purchased a large amount. There is a demand for a lower priced double Petunia and we think that this strain will "fill the bill."

Per 1-16 oz., \$4.00; 18 oz., \$7.50.

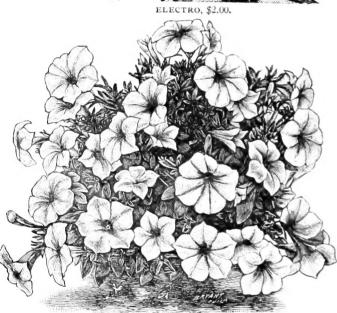
EARLY FLOWERING COSMOS.

A few years ago the Cosmos bloomed with the chrysanthemum, and being rather more tender, often died an untimely death by frost just at its first blossoming, so that it was almost useless to plant it in Northern sections, but since this Early Flowering strain has been produced it may now be had in bloom from July to November. It is such a strong, vigorous grower and its fine fringe-like foliage is such a pretty background for its lovely spreading flowers of white, pink, crimson or rosy purple that it can hardly be spared from any garden. It grows with the greatest freedom in any soil, but repays right royally the best care you can give it. It is really one of the most satisfactory of annuals.

Wholesale price, oz., 30c.; pound, \$3.00.

CHINESE PRIMROSE.

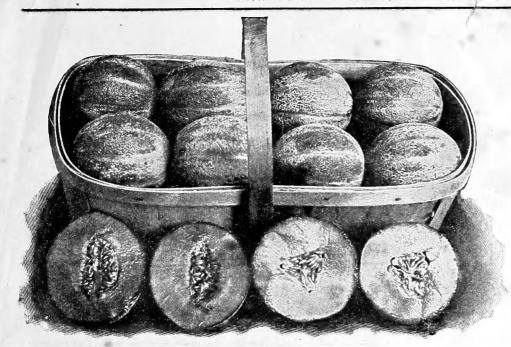
We have found this an extra good seller and having had the seed grown for us on contract, by one of the most careful growers, we are in position to offer it at a very reasonable price. EXTRA CHOICE MIXED, 1/8 02., \$1.00; 1/4 02., \$1.70; 02., \$6.00.



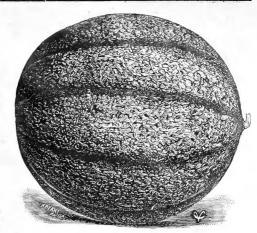
PETUNIA "SNOWBALL."-ELECTRO, \$1.25.



CHINESE PRIMROSE.—ELECTRO, \$1.25.







ELECTRO 600

NEW MUSK MELON ...PAUL ROSE...

In the "PAUL ROSE" we are offering the

best Musk Melon introduced for many years. It is a successful cross of the Osage with the Netted Gem and combines the sweetness of the former with the fine netting of the Gem. It also has a firmness of rind and "cheesy" structure of flesh peculiarly its own, and is superior in these respects to any melon in existence.

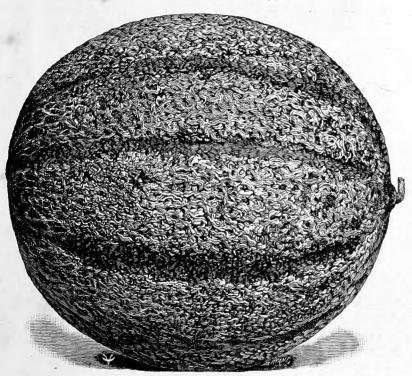
It surpasses all melons as a shipper and long keeper and no other melon equals it in smallness of seed cavity, nor approaches it in firmness.

With such ideals in view, Mr. Paul Rose, one of the most extensive and successful growers in the United States, has produced this as a result of six years' critical selection for a basket melon of perfect quality for the shipping trade.

In time of glut the "PAUL ROSE" was eagerly called for and quickly sold at prices four or five times higher than any other melons on the market.

Our claims have been more than verified and the "PAUL ROSE" is now the STANDARD SHIPPING MELON in Chicago and the West. There will be a great demand for it the coming season and we fear much spurious seed will be put on the market. We have put our prices so low that no seedsman needs take any chances with seed saved from rejected melons. We have already booked a great many orders and no catalogue will be complete without the "Paul Rose."

WHOLESALE PRICE. Per 1	b.
Originator's Selection, Michigan grown\$2.0)()
Originator's Selection, Indiana grown.	20
Regular contract stock, Nebraska grown	35



ELECTRO, \$1.60.

The uniform shape and average diameter, about 5 inches, of this melon, permit placing of two layers of eight each in a half bushel basket, making a handy package of sixteen melons. Averaging about 1½ lbs. each. The basket and fruit will weigh about 25 lbs., a size most convenient for market.

They can be piled as economically in cars or handled in stores as grape baskets. This compact and neat appearance when packed, aside from its superlative quality stamps the "Paul Rose" as a seller.

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NEWER AND ST	ANDARD SWEET PEAS. WRITE FOR PRICES
IAFAREN MIAD 21	ANDARD SWEET TEAS. ON OTHER SORTS
Per 1b	Per lb,
\$.45	Lovely, soft shell pink
ly	Maid of Honor, white, edged violet
ly	Mars, large, bright scarlet
65	Mrs Eckford, delicate primrose vellow
k'' pink	Prima Donna, soft pink
k'' pink	Prince Edward of York, new scarlet and rose
	Queen Victoria, new, pale yellow
sed with lilac 1.00	Red Riding Hood, rosy pink
	Royal Rose, bright pink and blush white
	Salopian, new, deep crimson, suffused with orange scarlet 1.00
st of all	Shazada, new rich dark maroon
	Stanley, rich dark maroon
ender	Stella Morse, deep cream, shading to primrose, tinted rose, new. 1.75
2.50	Triumph, extra large, bright orange pink, wings white and
almost white	flushed purple

WRITE FOR PRICES ON OTHER Electro, \$1.65. FLOWER SEEDS.

CANNA SEED. CROZY VARIETIES.

We saved seed from the following choice Crozy varieties: Chicago, Egandale, Florence Vaughah, J. C. Vaughan, Leonard Vaughan, Burlington, Queen Charlotte, Chas. Henderson, Yellow Crozy, Eldorado, Philadelphia, Papa, Mad. Crozy, Cuba Libre, Etendard and thany others. We offer these varieties in mixture at \$1.50 per pound. Of some of the above mentioned sorts we can supply a limited amount separate.

We can also furnish seed, which was gathered mixed at \$1.00 per pound. CROZY CANNA, Bronze-Leaved Varieties, Mixed, per pound, \$1.50.

Giant Pansy, PRESIDENT McKINLEY.

An extra large flower of perfect form and best substance. Color, rich, goldenyellow, intensified by a large, dark, velvety, violet, almost black, blotch on each petal, leaving a wide, golden-yellow margin. A good bloomer and vigorous grower. Wholesale price, per ounce, \$5.00; 1/4 ounce, \$1.25.

PANSY SEED, '98 CROP.

We had these grown for us on contract and can therefore offer them at the following low prices, which are good only for immediate acceptance and if unsold on

eceil	of the order. Oz .	Lb.	Oz.	Lb.
			Giant Bugnot\$2.00	
66	Purple	10.00	" Beaconsfield	10.00
66	Violet Blue90	12.00	" Paris Mixture 1.50	20.00
66	Auricula Colors	12.00	" Emperor William	12.00
66	Strined 75	10.00		

CHICAGO PARKS BEDDING PANSIES.

0	z. Lb	Oz.	Lb.		Oz.	Lb.
Pure Yellow	50 \$6.50	Mahogany Colors60	\$7.00	Striped	.50	\$6.50
Yellow, black eye	6.00	White, black eve50	6.00	Blue	.45	5.00
Emp. Frederick	75	PureWhite (Snow Queen		Dark Blue	.50	6.00
Quadricolor	6.00	Queen	6.50	Lord Beaconsfield	.60	7.00
Wallflower Colors	50 6.00	Prince Bismarck45	5.50	Emp. William	.50	6.50
Silveredge	50 6.00	Dr. Faust50	6.00	Gold Margin	.45	5.50

Pansy, all colors, choice mixed, per oz., 3oc.; lb., \$3.75.



Cuts to one or more eves without injuring the vital tissue:

Price: Postpaid, each, 30c.; 6 for \$1.50; dozen, \$2.85.

Wholesale Price: Dozen, \$2.10; per gross, \$24.00.

/E are headquarters on all kinds of Garden Tools, such as Iron Age and Planet Jr. goods, also on

Weeders, Trowels, Syringes, Insecticides, Fer-

tilizers, etc., etc. Prices quoted on application.

The New Marvin Crystal" Curran THIS new hybrid seedling, originated by D. S. Marvin, of Watertown, New York, has been in our possession for some four years. The plant is a very strong grower, forming almost a tree-shaped habit with slight trimming. It is exceedingly prolific, bearing fully two to one against the well-known Cherry Currant. The berries contain only one-half as many seeds as other varieties of Currant. In flavor it is moderately sweet and free from the sharp sourness of many red varieties.

So far the plants have been entirely free from insect ravages.

TRADE PRICES:

	Per 100	Per 1,000
1-year old, me	dium\$10.00	\$ 80.00
1-year old, sele	ect 12.00	100.00
2-year old, "	20.00	150.00

RETAIL PRICES:

2-year old plants .. .50 \$5.00 \$30.00 20.00 1-year old plants.. .35 3.50

MESSRS. ALBERTSON & HOBBS, Bridgeport, Ind., wrote:—"In appearance it is very clear, and we think one of the prettiest White Currants we have ever seen." Berry of good size and bunch fully up to the average."

Jos, H. Black, Son & Co., Hightstown, N. J.—"We are more than pleased with it and like the appearance of it very much. The pure transparency and few seeds make it pretty. The size is good for a White Currant, and, in fact, is equal to the best of the Reds. The clusters are of fair size and very compact, and we think, taking it all in all, is a very desirable Currant."

THE F. S. PHŒNIN NURSERY, Bloomington, Ill.—"Sample White Currant received and indicate that you have a choice variety. Large berries, long buuches, and freely produced; quality first-class; quite similar to White Grape."

THE ALBAUGH NURSERY AND ORCHARD Co., Tadmore, Ohio, says—"The sample of White Currants came last evening in good condition. We never saw a better. Size of bunch, compactness, size of berry and flavor are A No. 1. You should have no trouble to find a ready market for all the fruit and plants that you can produce."

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